



# APOLLO MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## School Advisory Council (SAC) 2023-2024

February 28, 2024 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: Media Center

Dr. Louis Kushner, Principal

Mr. Damon Martin, SAC Liaison

Mrs. Danairy Perez and Mrs. Fenoune Sainvil, SAC Co-Chairs

### Minutes

1. Welcome Mrs. Perez  
Mrs. Cardet motioned to start the meeting at 5:08. Mrs. Erazo seconded the motion to the start the meeting.
  
2. Approval of SAC Meeting Minutes Mrs. Perez
  - a. January 31, 2024  
Need to amend meeting minute under Item 4. End of the Year trip for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to Universal, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade to Universal Studios, and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade to Islands of Adventure.  
Mrs. Bailey motioned to approve the minutes with this addendum.
  
3. New Business for School Advisory Council Mrs. Perez
  - a. School Improvement Plan Update  
Saturday Academy and after school tutoring numbers have been improving. Had 52 students for Algebra tutoring on Tuesday, February 27. Had nearly 200 students for Saturday Academy.
  - b. Accountability funds  
Accountability funds have not changed since last meeting. We are still sitting at \$23,768.44 in accountability funds and \$5,878 in school recognition funds.
  - c. Teacher Fund Request  
Mrs. Wix secured a quote for the requested art supplies for Mr. Small. The vendors are district approved and Mrs. Wix secured free shipping for the quotes.  
Ms. Cardet motioned to vote for the supplies.  
The request for art supplies was approved unanimously by 13-0 by the SAC Committee voting members. Request totals \$558.11.  
Mrs. Perez sent in Band order request to Principal Secretary. Principal Secretary informed Mrs. Perez that the order was not approved as it needed to be purchased through furniture company.



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We will table Mrs. Robbins Band request quote until next meeting.  
Dr. Kushner will be following through for further guidance.

## 4. Principal Updates

Dr. Kushner

### a. SESSER data

No change in SESSER Data. Still at 32 incidents reported to state.

Dr. Kushner gave kudos and recognized Mrs. Perez for being inducted into the PROPEL Assistant Principal Program.

Students will be doing Course Selection starting tomorrow, Thursday, February 29. Students will complete Course Selection online through a link sent out on their Canvas page.

Dr. Kushner will be in Principal Meeting tomorrow for projected enrollment and budget for following school year.

Apollo had a surprise visit from the District Safe School Staff to check on security measures. Apollo received all satisfactory marks in this surprise safety inspection on all measures.

Bell schedule will be adjusted next school year to accommodate required 86 minutes per class and inclusion of a fourth lunch to make lunches less crowded. Change between classes will be reduced from 4 minutes to 3 minutes.

Dr. Kushner expressed positive outlook for next year as Apollo is currently overenrolled and reiterated Superintendent Licata informed that there will be no school closures next school year and the district will be doing further planning and research on utilization of schools beyond 2024-2025.

Dr. Kushner continues pushing for more portables and covering for all portables or new school building to accommodate for higher enrollment.

October enrollment was 1135 and now we are sitting at 1191 enrollment. We are even having students from other middle schools shadowing for potential transfer to Apollo. There are 498 students who live in Apollo boundary attending other schools and Mrs. Perez will be organizing another Expo to help bring those students into Apollo.

Class sizes will not be taken into consideration for budgeting conferences.

Apollo is at 98% capacity without considering portable classrooms.

Dr. Kushner gave credit to parents being active in sending reports of activity happening at the Boys and Girls Club and near the school. Dr. Kushner wants parents to continue being active in helping keep our school safe and sending in any reports.

Dr. Kushner emphasize the need for parents to educate their children on the dangers of vaping.

## 5. Title 1 updates

Ms. Morris

Mrs. Morris invited all to attend the Black History Showcase tonight.

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Mrs. Morris invited all to attend STEM Fest on Saturday, March 2 from 10AM to 2PM at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. STEM Fest is always a fantastic experience and event.

Mrs. Morris invited all to attend the Dad's Challenge at Orange Brook Elementary on Saturday, March 16, 2024. Mrs. Morris emphasized all should attend not just dads.

6. Open Discussion

Mrs. Perez

There were no Open Discussion items discussed.

7. Meeting adjourned

Mrs. Perez

Mrs. Cardet motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Priebis seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:42PM.